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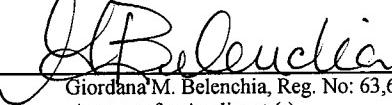
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION FILED WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Madam:

This communication is in response to the final Office Action dated November 20, 2008 and is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.